Department of Permits and Development Management 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

In the Matter of

Civil Citation No. 59684

Jose Sergio Argueta

5932 Charles Street

Respondent

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FINAL ORDER OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT HEARING OFFICER

This matter came before the Code Enforcement Hearing Officer for the Department of Permits and Development Management on June 17, 2009, for a Hearing on a citation for violations of the Baltimore County Code (BCC) section 13-7-310, 312 failure to remove junk, trash and debris, brush, tree limbs; failure to store garbage in containers with tight fitting lids; (BCC) section 35-5-302 failure to eradicate rat infestation on residential property zoned DR 5.5 known as 5932 Charles Street, 21207.

On May 15, 2009, pursuant to § 3-6-205, Baltimore County Code, Inspector Ray Harmon issued a Code Enforcement citation. The citation was sent to the Respondent by 1st class mail to the last known address listed in the Maryland State Tax Assessment files.

The citation proposed a civil penalty of \$3,000.00 (three thousand dollars).

The following persons appeared for the Hearing and testified: Jose Sergio Argueta, Respondent and, Ray Harmon, Baltimore County Code Enforcement Officer.

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After proper consideration of all the evidence presented, the Hearing Officer finds:

A.

IT IS ORDERED by the Code Enforcement Hearing Officer that a civil penalty be imposed in the amount of \$

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the civil penalty is suspended on condition the Respondent

If the Respondent fails to correct the violations, then the civil penalty shall be imposed and placed as a lien upon the property.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if not paid within thirty days of billing, the civil penalty as authorized above shall be imposed and placed as a lien upon the property.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the County inspect the property to determine whether the violations have been corrected.

ORDERED this 7th day of July 2009.

Signed: ORIGINAL SIGNED

Margaret Z. Ferguson

Baltimore County Hearing Officer

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: The Respondent is advised that (1) pursuant to §3-6-206(g)(2) of the Baltimore County Code, the Respondent may make written application to the Director of the Department of Permits & Development Management within 10 days to modify or amend this order and (2) pursuant to §3-6-301(a), Baltimore County Code, the Respondent may appeal this order to the Baltimore County Board of Appeals within fifteen (15) days from the date of this order; any such appeal requires the filing of a petition setting forth the grounds for appeal, payment of a filing fee of \$150 and the posting of security to satisfy the penalty assessed.